

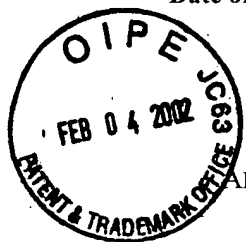
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TRANSMITTAL

Enclosed for filing for the above-referenced patent application are the following:

1. Response to Office Action Dated December 4, 2001 (1 page);
2. Petition for a one-month extension of time (1 page);
3. Check # 11588 for \$55.00; and
4. Return postcard

This Response is due on or before February 4, 2002 with a one-month extension of time. Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 20363-011; DFCI-11). A duplicate of this Transmittal is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 4, 2001 OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action Dated December 4, 2001, Applicants elect the invention of Group I (claims 1-21), drawn to a nucleic acid, a cell and a vector.

A Petition for a one-month extension of time and required fee are filed herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 20363-011 (DFCI-11).

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